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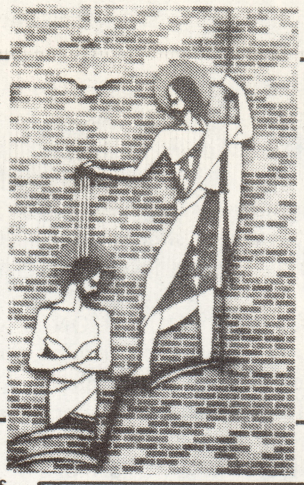
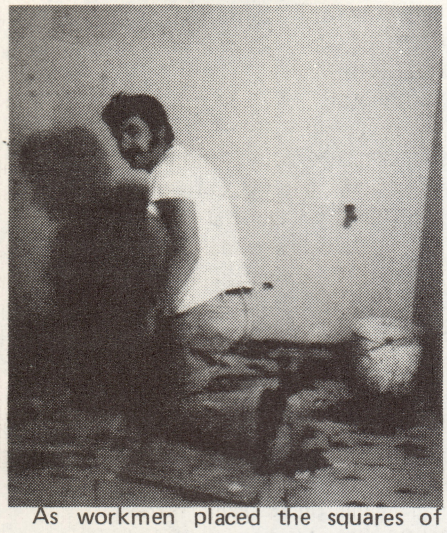


HALL RENOVATION PROGRESSES



As workmen placed the squares of ceramic tile on the lavatory floors this past week, the finishing stage for Phase I of our renovation project is underway. The addition of three new walls, the expansion of both lavatory and toilet facilities, a new cloak room and alterations to a stairway and the organ-blower room, have radically changed the appearance of our church hall's south end.

Phase II of the renovation project will involve the hall's north end as new kitchen facilities, storage, office, and boy scout rooms are constructed. The Administration Commission has generally approved the architect's plans for Phase II. Final changes are being made at the present time. Bid-letting for Phase II will occur around August 1.

As of July 14, 1974, a total of $53,730.16 has been designated for this special project. That amount includes $20,000.00 given by the Alfred Walter's Estate and the amount of $33,730.16 obtained through our special 10 week fund drive along with other memorial gifts previously published. Approximately $5,000.00 remains outstanding in renovation pledges which are not finally due until December 1st. A total of 411 registered families and/or single persons from our parish responded financially to this special effort. Even though the ten week solicitation period concluded on Easter Sunday, new pledges are still finding their way here to be applied toward this major undertaking for our parish. (A draw of $21,564.06 has been made as payments to General Contractor and Architect, thus far. We can only be grateful for your generosity to this point and hope you will be pleased with the work that is able to be completed this year with available funds. To this moment in time, we have been quite pleased with the quality of workmanship in all areas of the construction.

While there have been some delays due to the proverbial 'material shortage,' only one significant 'hitch' has developed. That 'hitch' concerned the sewer pipe connecting the two toilet facilities which had to be completely replaced due to its 'holiness.' But after 50 years of faithful and loving service of that type, I would enjoy retirement too! We hope for full speed ahead.

—Fr. Harvey

BOY SCOUT PAPER DRIVE TODAY

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Proceeds to help defray expenses of financing a ramp for wheelchairs ... a much needed asset for St. John's.

WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, July 22nd

7:30 PM

Parish Library

JUST A WORD...

by Father Harvey

It has been said, "To be happy, we must be true to nature, and carry our age along with us." Since I know of few alternatives to this particular recipe for happiness, I'm 'carrying,' even though the baggage of years continues to wear. To celebrate the gift of life with friends is indeed a thankful and privileged moment. To all of you who were so kind to help me strike another notch in my belt of life last Sunday, I am sincerely grateful. The office chair which you presented to me is occupied as I type these wandering thoughts. I promise that it will be well utilized. My sense of security is nobly enhanced knowing that I am supported by four sturdy castors which will allow me to remain seated, when that is my desire without worrying about a sudden catapult to the floor as my old chair was wont to do

Undoubtedly, it was the spirit of Christian selflessness that allowed so many of you to brave the heat of Sunday and gather on the convent patio. I hope some new acquaintances were made and old friendships were renewed among those who were able to attend. It was a delightful evening and the supportive concern manifested at the party through your well wishes and remembrances will hopefully long endure.

I hope you will take a moment to look over the progress report on our special renovation project featured in this paper. Hopefully, it will not be too long before the lavatory facilities are once again usable as Phase I is concluded and Phase II begins.

Notice To Public High School Students

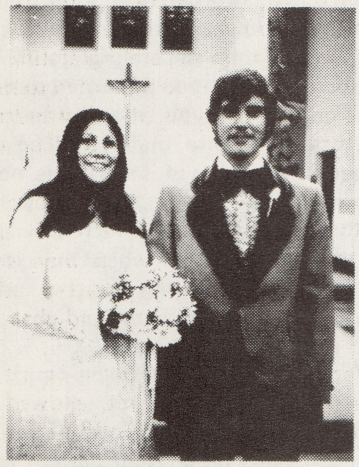
Public high school students who wish to participate in a religious education program during the 1974-75 school year must register now. Most of you have received a brochure. Please fill in the

registration page at the end and mail it to Area Religious Education, 538 North Division Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104.

Anyone who is new in this area, or would like a brochure should call 761-7656 weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

AREA RELIGIOUS EDUCATION offers released time classes and bussing for Catholic students in grades nine through twelve attending: Ann Arbor (Huron, Pioneer, Forsythe, Tappan, Clague, Community); Ypsilanti (Senior High, Willow Run, and Edmondson); Whitmore Lake. Students attending other high schools are also welcome to join this program. The brochure gives many options for religion class, INCLUDING AN AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM.

PARISH NUPTIAL



Mr. & Mrs. Edward R. Ryan

On Friday evening, July 12, 1974, Edward R. Ryan of Ypsilanti and Annette T. Zepeda, also of Ypsilanti, celebrated their vows of Holy Marriage during a Nuptial Mass offered by Fr. Harvey.

Keith Harris and Genevieve Adams, both of Ypsilanti, were the couple's main attendants. A brother, and friends of the bride provided the celebrated music.

The groom is the son of Mr. Calvin Ryan and Mrs. Elinor Clark, 1918 Collegewood. The bride, who has resided in Ypsilanti with her sister, Mrs. Genevieve Adams, 5857 Pineview, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Zepeda.

We extend our happy congratulations to Ed and Annette along with their families and wish them many years of life and peace together.

LETTERS... WE GET LETTERS

7/10/74

Father Harvey,

You've probably heard by now ... the petitions to repeal the 4% sales tax on food and drugs appears to be successful.

This brief note is to thank you and your parishioners for all your help in making this success possible.

We appreciate the time and effort spent in this campaign. Thanks again!

Fr. Richard Groshek

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7/12/74

St. John's Parish,

I wish to thank all the people who voted for me for re-election to the Parish Council, I praise God that I am able to serve Him and you in that capacity. I pray that we all come to a deeper knowledge of Him and His Holy Spirit.

Ray Carpenter

YES

YES, is what I hope some more of you will say after reading this. For several weeks now, we've been running an ad asking you to volunteer to teach a small group of children their religion. Three persons have agreed to join our staff. As of today, however, we are still in need of teachers in grades three, four, five and six.

My great grandmother and my grandmother, too, used to say that the 4th of July was really the midpoint of summer. As Sr. Sheila and I plan programs to begin in September we also feel there's not a lot more time left to wonder whether or not adults in this parish will come through for children.

We are eager to begin working with teachers to prepare for this venture in sharing our faith. If you are available on Mondays or Wednesdays from 11:00 - 12:00 noon or Wednesday afternoons at 4:30 p.m., and would like to do something for the Lord and his children why don't you contact us. Give us a yes, please and a reason to rejoice.

Sr. Anne Heath
(483-3408 – 483-6378)

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, July 22nd - Mary Magdalene
- 7:00 AM - Special Intention of Otto Engerlert req. by Catherine Conkle
- 2:30 PM - Distribution of Holy Communion at Parkview Nursing Home

TUESDAY, July 23rd - Weekday
- 7:00 AM - Mary E. Buck, req. by Louis E. Burke

WEDNESDAY, July 24th - Weekday
- 7:00 AM - Special Intention

THURSDAY, July 25th - James, Apostle
- 7:00 AM - Oliver Pinsoneault, req. by Dorothy Pinsoneault

FRIDAY, July 26th - Joachim & Ann, Parents of Mary
- 7:00 AM - Mary Motto, req. by James Lester Family

SATURDAY, July 27th - Weekday
- 9:00 AM - No Mass or Communion
- 2:00 PM - Nuptial Mass - Thomas Daniels and Martha Ulrich
- 5:00 PM - Edward Daniels, req. by Mr. & Mrs. John Dawson & Family

SUNDAY, July 28th
- 7:00 AM - Marie VanDuzen, req. by Bea & Ed Walters
- 9:00 AM - Charles Roncolli, req. by The William McCarthy Family
- 11:00 AM - Joseph Ferraro, 9th Anniv., req. by His Wife, Hazel
- 12:30 PM - Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE
Week of July 22nd

TEAM I - David Dupuis
TEAM II - Matt Chiodini

SATURDAY, July 27th
- 5:00 PM - Greg Gillman, Jerry Moses

SUNDAY, July 28th
- 7:00 AM - Rob & Jim Eberts
- 9:00 AM - Matt Chiodini & Larry Dupuis
- 11:00 AM - Frank Williams & Peter Burgard

WEDDINGS & FUNERALS:
Mark Courtois & David Dupuis

COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, July 27th
- 5:00 PM . . . . . Ed Look

SUNDAY, July 28th
- 7:00 AM . . . . . William Anhut
- 9:00 AM . . . . . Ray Karam
- 11:00 AM . . . . . Gene Butman
- 12:30 PM . . . . . Dick Wagner

FINANCIAL BAROMETER
July 14, 1974

Sunday Offertory $2,447.91
Hall Renovation Fund 435.00

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, July 27th
- 5:00 PM . . . . . Clem Budinger

SUNDAY, July 28th
7:00 AM ..... Mary Claire Anhut
9:00 AM ..... Lucy Broad
11:00 AM ..... Norm Hallman
12:30 PM ..... Lee Sanford

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5:00 PM ..... D. Delano
SUNDAY, July 28th
9:00 AM ..... R. Koehl
11:00 AM ..... G. Wideman
12:30 PM ..... J. Baker

BABYSITTING SCHEDULE
July 28, 1974

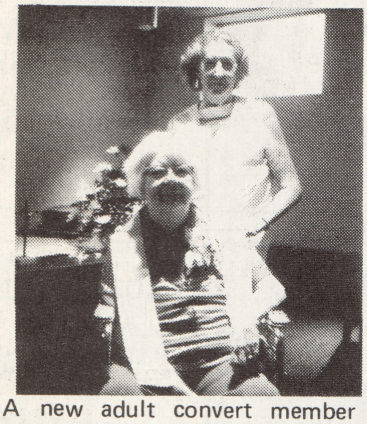
9:00 AM ..... Priscilla Washburn

WEDDING BANNS

II Gary Davie - Diana Shock
II Raymond Stakenas - Deborah Schuman
III Thomas Daniels - Martha Ulrich

WELCOME, CONVERT!

Mrs. Hazel Stachlewitz and Sponsor, Helen Stachlewitz



A new adult convert member was welcomed into our community last Monday afternoon, July 15, 1974. Mrs. Hazel Stachlewitz was received into the Catholic Church during a special Mass celebrated by Fr. Harvey in Parkview Convalescent Home. After her formal reception, Hazel was confirmed and received her First Holy Communion during the Mass.

A sister - in - law of the convert, Helen Stachlewitz, served as confirmation sponsor. Hazel is the widow of the late George Stachlewitz, a lifelong member of St. John's. She has been a resident at Parkview while recuperating from a stroke. Joining in the celebration of Hazel's reception were two other sister - in - laws, Marie Stachlewitz (who also provided the music in the Parkview Chapel), and Rachel Stachlewitz, both faithful members of our parish.

Welcome, Hazel! May the love of Christ sustain and heal you!

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

On our community's monthly Baptismal Sunday, June 14, 1974, five new members were welcomed into our community as Fr. Harvey administered the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

HEATHER RAY BEAUDOIN, daughter of Dennis and Cheryl (Byrnes) Beaudoin, 8623, Pine Ct. Her godparents are Kenneth and Sandra Beaudoin.

JANET E. DE LOS REYES, daughter of Wilfredo and Josefina (Eftandian) DeLosReyes, 4842 Washtenaw, No. A3. Her sponsors are Renato Arellano and Carmelita Fevidal along with four other godparents.

NATHAN PAUL DYSKA, son of Irvin and Carole (Sheridan) Dyska, 51074 Mott Rd. Nathan's sponsors are David Sheridan and Pamela Gerber. Bruce Gerber served as proxy godfather.

KIRSTIN ILENE RIEHL, daughter of Jerry and Kathy (Trauthwein) Riehl, 2947 Roundtree Blvd., No. A1. Kirstin'ssponsors for baptism are Gregory and Carol Trauthwein.

AARON JOSEPH SALTER, son of Thomas and Joan (Grace) Salter, 2506 Pittsfield Blvd. Aaron's godparents are William and Linda Salter.

Congratulations to the new parents. God has called your children freely and generously - through you and through his people, the Church. As adult Christians, may we faithfully and responsibly continue responding to his call.

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, July 21st
9:00 AM - Babysitting in Room 5 of Parish Center
MONDAY, July 22nd
7:00 PM - Boy Scouts meet in Parish Hall
7:30 PM - Worship Commission Meeting in Parish Library
TUESDAY, July 23rd
7:30 PM - Liturgy Comm. Meeting in Rectory Meeting Room
WEDNESDAY, July 24th
7:00 PM - Folk Choir Practice
7:30 PM - BINGO in Parish Hall (doors open at 6:30)
8:00 PM - Administration Comm. Meeting in Rectory

HELPERS NEEDED FOR SOS

The SOS Community Crisis Center is seeking volunteers for its Flying Crisis Squad, a 24-hour emergency crisis intervention mobile unit.

Persons with maturity, an interest in helping people and the ability to remain calm in crisis situations are eligible for membership on the emergency on-call team, according to chairwoman Sherrie Green. Emergency on-call members work in pairs answering calls from the Ypsilanti area in a specially equipped car. When a crisis call comes in on the SOS hotline, it is referred to the on-call workers who decide whether the caller needs their help. In a crisis situation such as a suicide attempt or drug overdose, the team will go to the caller and provide assistance.

On-call volunteers must be trained in empathy skills, first aid, drug overdose aid, suicide and depression. Evening and weekend training sessions will be given by the SOS staff at the Crisis Center, 114 N. River Street.

The Flying Crisis Squad is on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Volunteers can work the shifts that are most convenient for them

Anyone interested in joining the on-call team should call SOS at 485-3222 and leave their name and number. An interview will be arranged. Training begins July 26.

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SINGLE CATHOLIC ADULTS

The SCA will meet again at the German Park on Pontiac Trail west of Dixboro on Saturday, July 27th, at 7 PM inside the park. On Friday, August 2nd we'll meet at 8:30 PM in St. Francis Parking lot to form a car pool to visit the Cascades in Jackson. On August 4th, carpools at St. John's at 8 to 8:30 for the trip to Cedar Point. It's shared costs and BYOL (lunch). Call Sue ahead of time at 482-1942.

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OPEN HOUSE AND CAREER DAY

...for prospective students of all ages, parents, and alumni will be held at Madonna College, 36600 Schoolcraft at Levan Rd., Livonia on Sunday, July 28th from 2 to 5 PM. There will be tours, visits with faculty and counselors and descriptions of courses leading to bachelor's or associate degrees and certificates.

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